



Llama Hiking Adventures

Where will your adventure take you?



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Wyoming majesty unfolds...

Just two hours from busy Yellowstone and Grand Teton Parks is the pristine wilderness of the Wind River and Absaroka Mountains, and the unique beauty and solitude of the Red Desert and Sweetwater Canyon in western Wyoming. The Lander Llama Company arranges and guides llama pack trips into these extraordinary geographic wonders. With a llama to carry your pack, you are at your leisure to experience the breathtaking scenery of glacial cirques, subalpine lakes, red rock canyons, and abundant wildlife.

Come join us!

Choose from these exciting locations:

Wind River Range

One of the oldest ranges on earth, the Wind River Range runs from NW Wyoming to west central Wyoming for 150 miles. It contains the highest peak in the middle and northern Rocky Mountains. This mountain range is one of the most spectacular ranges in the world filled with cathedral-like, glacially carved out granite mountains called "cirques". It has thousands of lakes formed by these glaciers. The sub-alpine forest is filled with lodge pole pine, limber pine, white bark pine, spruce, fir and aspen. It is a naturalist's and fisherman's paradise, being home to golden, brook, rainbow, brown, cutthroat, and grayling trout. Mammals commonly seen are: moose, deer, elk, bighorn sheep, marmots, fox, pika, coyote, and an occasional black bear.

We primarily travel on the east side of the Wind River Range in the Popo Agie and Fitzpatrick wilderness of the Shoshone National Forest. The Wind River Range is home to the Shoshone and Arapaho Indian Tribes. The hiking is usually moderate to strenuous and progressive, if 5 days or more, with one or two layover days. Trips 3 or 4 days long run from a base camp.

Elevations are 8,000 to 11,000 ft. The Wind River trips run from July 1st through September 15th.

Absaroka Range

In terms of geology, the Absaroka Range is the only western range formed by ancient volcanic eruptions. This mountain range extends from SE Montana to NW Wyoming. We visit the SE portion of the Absarokas just north of Dubois, WY. It is lush with wildflowers,



Wind River Range



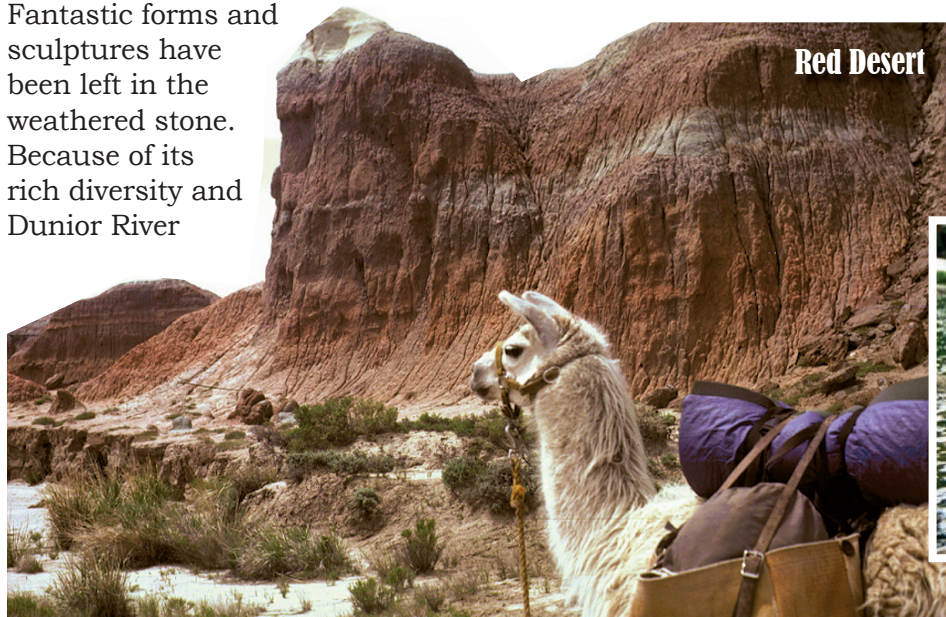
Absaroka Range

pine, and fir, with wide open meadows in the center of the spectacular Pinnacle Buttes. The buttes contain beautiful purple, red and gray layers of ash sediment, known as breccia. Fantastic forms and sculptures have been left in the weathered stone. Because of its rich diversity and Dunior River

Red Desert

Located about 65 miles SW of Lander, Wyoming, the Red Desert encompasses the Continental Divide which splits to surround a basin that amazingly drains to neither the Atlantic nor the

Pacific. The Red Desert contains a variety of magnificent land forms such as red-buttoned desert lakes, barren areas of sheet erosion and painted badlands, volcanic necks



Red Desert

running through the area, the Absarokas are a wildlife paradise! There is great fishing for cutthroat and brook trout. Numerous owls, eagles, hawks, mule deer, moose, elk, bighorn sheep, coyote, wolf, and bear make their home in the Absarokas. The hiking is usually moderate, and typically from a wilderness base camp, although longer trips of 5 days or so may be progressive. Elevations are 7,500 to 10,000 ft. The Absaroka trips run from July 1st through September 15th.

and cones, shifting sand dunes with buried ice deposits and fossil beds from an ancient inland sea. The Red Desert is home to a desert elk herd, wild horses, thousands of antelope, and one of the highest raptor densities in the U.S. The hiking is easy and trips are usually 3 or 4 days with elevations around 7,000 ft. The Red Desert trips run from April 25th through mid-June.

Sweetwater Canyon

This beautiful canyon wall is formed by the Sweetwater River that starts from the Wind River Range and runs south east and then east, approximately 45 miles from Lander, just north of the Red Desert. The Sweetwater River has excellent rainbow and brown trout fishing! Antelope, mule deer, desert elk, sage grouse, prairie dogs, badgers, hawks, and falcons are abundant. The entry to the canyon is rolling open sage country with the whole southern end of the Wind River Range visible. The hiking is easy, and trips are usually 3 or 4 days and run from a base camp. Elevations are around 7,000 ft. The Sweetwater Canyon trips run from mid-May through September 15th.



Bob Scholl



Jeff Vanuga



Sweetwater Canyon

Jill Fryzowski



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Llamas and Gear

Llamas are remarkably gentle, sure-footed creatures native to the Andes Mountains of South America where they have been domesticated for use as pack animals for 6,000 years. The average pack llama weighs 350 pounds and is capable of carrying 65 to 100 pounds for many miles. These graceful creatures have a low impact on the environment with padded, dog-like feet, as they forage like deer. Our llamas are trained to follow a lead llama or can be led individually by human partners, allowing for a uniquely personal wilderness experience.

The highest quality back-country equipment will be supplied, including tents, pads,

sleeping bags, day packs, rain gear, cooking gear, and first aid equipment. You need only bring your clothing and toiletries. Of course, our llamas will carry all of the gear and provisions leaving your hands free and your body unencumbered.



Connie Travers

Delicious Meals

Your meals are included, and you'll be happy to know that we leave the freeze-dried stuff at home. Pack llamas allow us to bring your favorite fresh foods, produce, and Therese's special home-baked desserts. Savory meals, complimented by fine wines and non-alcoholic beverages, will enhance your wilderness experience. You may customize your dinner menu from our wide selection of food items. We serve three meals a day except on the first and last days when two meals are served.

Activities

Besides hiking and exploring, the Wind River and Absaroka Ranges as well as Sweetwater Canyon trips, offer excellent fishing and spectacular scenery.



Alpine Fly-Fishing

Enjoy some of the best light tackle trout fishing in the United States! From beginners to experts, we offer exceptional dry fly fishing for brook, cutthroat, golden, hybrid, lake, and rainbow trout. Escape the crowds...come wet a line with us!



fauna, and have been educated by Scott with an emphasis on preserving the wilderness from the social and physical impacts caused by human visits. Lander Llama Company operates under permits issued by the Shoshone National Forest, the Bridger-Teton National Forest and the Bureau of Land Management.



Mike McClure

George Hibben



Bring your camera and your sketchbook!

These mountains are an artist's and photographer's dream--where wildflowers, birds, and big game observation abound. You may enjoy hiking and climbing where few people have been or simply sunning yourself or journaling on the mountainside. Our Red Desert trips offer ancient Indian history, fossil viewing, and unique plant and geological identification. Regardless of your desired activity level or destination, we're around to tend to your needs while you enjoy your favorite wilderness activities!

“We really enjoyed our trip and have been recommending it to all of our friends. We both send you our best wishes!” - Randy and Rachel

Your Outfitter and Guides

Lander Llama Company was founded by Scott and Therese Woodruff in 1985. The company has grown to be one of the most prominent and respected llama outfitters in the United States, gaining national recognition by several outdoor publications, the International Llama Association, and land management agencies. Our guides and staff are committed to your safety and comfort on the trail. They have a thorough knowledge of pack llamas, the geography, flora and



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A typical day on the trail

starts at about 9:00 a.m. Hiking at a comfortable pace and with several short breaks, we'll travel until lunchtime. After eating, we'll continue hiking to our day's destination, reaching

hand. On layover days, you may rise early or late with the day's activities being tailored to your desires. On days that we travel, we'll rise early, eat a nutritious breakfast, and hit the trail with plenty of time ahead to hike to and enjoy our next campsite.

Our Red Desert and Sweetwater Canyon trips are typically run from a base camp with exploratory day hikes to surrounding areas. The Red Desert is rich in unique geography and rare vistas, with very few people seen. The Sweetwater Canyon offers secluded western prairie

canyon fishing and exploring along the Sweetwater River. The Wind River and Absaroka Ranges are truly some of the most scenic and wild mountains in the world. These spectacular destinations offer some of the last secluded and untouched wilderness in the lower 48, and Lander Llama Company is the experienced leader in llama trekking and



outfitting in these special places. Our dignified and trained pack llamas are at home here and excel as beasts of burden. *Come join us for a few magnificent days and do what very few have ever done!*



George Hibben

it by mid afternoon. While your guides unpack the llamas and set up camp, you may wish to explore the area or wet a line while dinner is being prepared. Of course, if you enjoy all aspects of camping, you're welcome to lend a





Llama Rental Trips

Lander Llama Company offers a llama rental program for experienced back country travelers who do not need the benefits of a guided and catered trip. We provide the trained pack llamas, their gear, and a 3 hour mandatory training class at the ranch. We also provide a trail head llama drop off and pick up service. You are responsible for your camping gear and itinerary. Please call, or visit our web site for complete information and brochure on our llama rental services.

“ Thanks for renting the llamas to us. It made for a great trip. We were able to get to a location too remote for us old guys to backpack. The llamas were very cooperative and easy to care for. I thought my days in the mountains were running out but llamas open some new

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**Your hosts,
Therese, Skyler, and Scott Woodruff**



The Bunk House Bed & Breakfast

The Bunk House is at Lander Llama Company's ranchette nestled on the Popo Agie river in full view of our outfitting operation. Enjoy a stay in our comfortable rustic lodge pole room that sleeps one to five people--perfect for accommodating families or couples. This charming, all-season lodging facility has a well-stocked kitchenette and includes a complimentary "make-yourself-breakfast." The Bunk House is equipped with air conditioning for those warm days and gas heat for chilly nights, not to mention all the other comforts of home. Make your reservations online or call **307-332-5624** for more information.





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Reservations

Early reservations are highly recommended. We require a completed reservation form and a 50% deposit for both guided and non-guided trips. We accept most credit cards, checks, and money orders. For further information on rates, reservations, deposits, and cancellation policy, please refer to our reservation forms on-line, brochures, or call **307-332-5624**.

Upon receipt of your deposit, we will confirm your reservation and send you detailed information concerning your particular trip, transportation, and lodging. The nearest commercial airports are Denver, CO; Riverton, WY; Casper, WY; and Jackson Hole, WY. The Riverton Airport is just 30 miles northeast of Lander, and we can arrange for your transportation

to Lander if needed. If you are in Jackson Hole, for example, you may want to meet us in Dubois, WY if your trip is to the Absarokas. Please feel free to contact us should you need help planning your vacation to, or through western Wyoming.

Complete Web Site

Lander Llama Company has a detailed and current web site, including frequently asked questions, brochures, pictures, movie clips, travel information, and secure on-line reservations for all of our services and products. Please visit us at

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